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A process is provided for the customisation of consumer wherein said consumer products are prepared products, according to selections of product characteristics and made by a consumer, optionally reconstituted with one or more other components, and dispensed from a vending system at the point-of-sale of said consumer products. A vending system is also provided for the customisation of consumer products, wherein said consumer products are prepared according to selections of product characteristics made and consumer, optionally reconstituted with one or more other components and dispensed from said vending system at the point-of-sale of said consumer products.